

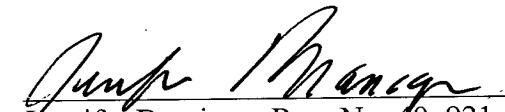
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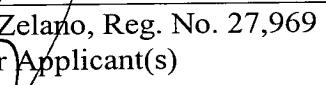
Applicants hereby elect group I, Claims 1-21 drawn to a pharmaceutical preparation. As can be seen in the Office Action at page 2, the subject matter of all the claims is classified in class 424, subclass 4 and can be searched concurrently. Thus, Applicants traverse the election requirement on the basis that it would not be an undue searching burden to search the full scope of the claims.

Applicants have amended the claims to conform terminology to typical U.S. prosecution practice. Support for new claim 28, can be found, for example, in original claims 6,7 and 8. Support for new claim 29, can be found, for example, in claim 9. No new matter has been added.

In view of the above remarks, favorable reconsideration is courteously requested. If there are any remaining issues, which can be expedited by a telephone conference, the Examiner is courteously invited to telephone counsel at the number indicated below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.


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